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ANTHROPOLOGY AT THE BALTIMORE MEETING WITH  
PROCEEDINGS OF THE AMERICAN ANTHROPOLOG-  
ICAL ASSOCIATION FOR 1918

THE twentieth (seventeenth annual) meeting of the American Anthropological Association was held December 26-28, 1918, at the Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, in affiliation with the American Folk-Lore Society and Section H, A. A. A. S.

The Council meetings were presided over by John R. Swanton, Vice-President.

The following reports were read:

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

TO THE COUNCIL AND MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN ANTHROPOLOGICAL  
ASSOCIATION:

During 1918 the Association has passed through the nation's crisis, with strain, but on the whole with a degree of success on which congratulations are due.

Since the two most important aspects of the Association's activities, those relating to its finances and membership and to its publications, are being reported on by the Secretary, the Treasurer, and the Editor, there remains only to review the policies pursued.

The Association entered the year with a floating debt of about \$2,100, and a record for some years past of an average annual disbursement greater than the actual income. As a first step, the Association at its last meeting entrusted to the Editor the delicate and ungrateful task of reducing so far as possible the quantity and cost of its publications, while preserving both their standard of quality and the moral obligations assumed by the Association toward its subscribers. This difficult task Dr. Goddard has discharged with discretion and success. It would appear to be only a recognition of his efforts, if besides being commended he were requested to continue the same policy in force another year; after which there is every reason to hope a return to a normal basis of publication may safely be accomplished.

Second, a review of the financial history of the Association has led to the conclusion that its embarrassments are not to be laid at the door of any one official or administration, but to a lack of adherence by the

Association itself to its own business system. Balance sheets have indeed been submitted annually—but without searching analysis; and provision for the future has often been made on a basis of optimism and loose expectations rather than of carefully calculated estimate. Your Executive Committee voted during the spring that hereafter there should be submitted at the annual meetings, in addition to the customary balance sheet, a statement showing the financial progress or recession of the Association, on the basis of receipts and expenditures properly chargeable to the year reported on, and also in comparison with preceding years. Farther, that following such report, a definite budget be voted on at each annual meeting. This decision of the Executive Committee will no doubt stand in force even if not acted upon by you; but to clarify the situation, and commit the whole body of our membership more closely to responsibility for the Association's fortunes, I recommend that the Executive Committee's action be laid before the Association for ratification.

Third, an effort was made by a number of members to reduce immediately the Association's debt. In spite of the tremendous demands caused by the national emergencies, this effort was not without success. Between six and seven hundred dollars were subscribed, wiping out about one third of the accumulated debts, and giving promise that equal effort during the easier future that looms ahead will soon set the Association free of its longstanding burden. It is a pleasure to report that the contributions received come almost wholly from within the Association's regular membership; although the courtesy of a donation from the American Ethnological Society deserves especial gratitude.

As regards the future conduct of the Association, it is well to recognize that the membership is scattered and diverse, that Presidents, Vice-Presidents, and Committees change, and that the officers who have been wont to give their services for the longest time, the Secretary, Treasurer, and Editor, are also those who in virtue of their positions are entrusted with the Association's most important work. A concentration in their hands of all possible opportunity, and the encouragement by the Association of initiative on their part, subject only to ratification by the Council, accordingly seem called for. For the same reasons, intimate coöperation between these officers is most desirable. It is even possible that some more definite understanding as to the scope of their activities may be worth while. The Editor obviously is *de facto* the agent through whom the bulk of the Association's means are expended. On the Secretary falls in the main the task of maintaining and recruiting member-

ship and subscriptions; in short of providing income. Both are therefore in vital touch with the Association's permanent policies. The Treasurer, on the other hand, may theoretically participate actively in the Secretary's duties, or again be essentially a custodian or administering officer. A clear delimitation between these his possible functions seems never to have been made. It seems desirable that it be made; and I therefore invite the Association to formulate its attitude on the problem. With the Treasurer's duties shifted so far as possible into the Secretary's hands, there is the advantage of concentrated responsibility; whereas if the Treasurer is to remain or become an officer sharing in the formulation of policy, there will ensue a broader participation in activity. The question should be approached both as one of principle and, frankly, as one of the personalities involved. In fact it would be neither fair nor wise for the Association to reach a decision on this point without full consultation with the present and prospective incumbents of the three offices.

In conclusion I wish to thank the Association for the honor bestowed in allotting me some measure of responsibility for its welfare; and to express appreciation of the willing coöperation and effort encountered during my service. The year's progress seems satisfactory; but it is only by unflaggingness of endeavor that the Association can fully realize its purpose and achieve its place as a true representative of its science in the life of the American people.

A. L. KROEBER,  
*President*

December 17, 1918

#### REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

The Proceedings of the last annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association were published in the *American Anthropologist* for January-March, 1918. There has been no special meeting of the Association nor of the Council during the year.

Two members have died, Dr. James Douglas, of New York, and Dr. H. K. Haeberlin, of the same city. In Dr. Haeberlin the Association has lost one of its most valuable and promising members.

The Treasurer, Neil M. Judd, was called into the service of the Government, and William Curtis Farabee was appointed by the Executive Committee to fill out the unexpired term. Dr. Farabee was then called by the Government as Captain in the Intelligence Department of the Army and B. W. Merwin was appointed to handle the work of the Secretary and Treasurer.

Thirty-three applicants for membership and one for life member were elected.

B. W. MERWIN,  
*Acting Secretary*

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS, JANUARY 1, 1918, TO DECEMBER 31, 1918

*Receipts*

Balance on hand, January 1, 1918.....		\$259.71
Anthropological Society of Washington:		
Balance unpaid, January 1, 1918.....	\$87.56	
<i>American Anthropologist</i> , vol. XIX, No. 4.....	45.50	
<i>American Anthropologist</i> , vol. XX, No. 1-3.....	99.75	
Miscellaneous Sales and Postage.....	10.52	
	243.33	
Less amount still unpaid.....	163.70	\$79.63
American Ethnological Society:		
Sales and Miscellaneous.....	5.36	
<i>American Anthropologist</i> , vol. XIX, No. 4.....	70.88	
<i>American Anthropologist</i> , vol. XX, No. 1-3.....	231.89	308.13
Annual membership dues:		
Account of 1917.....	91.00	
"    "    1918.....	1,859.25	
"    "    1919.....	161.85	
"    "    1920.....	6.00	
"    "    1921.....	6.00	
Life Fellowship.....	100.00	2,224.10
Sale of publications.....		172.98
T. M. Prudden, Memoir, V., No. 1.....		124.09
Engravings:		
Mrs. L. L. W. Wilson.....	10.60	
Dr. Van Rippen.....	33.16	43.76
Miscellaneous and corrections.....		88.66
Regular Income.....		3,041.35
Rehabilitation Fund:		
R. B. Dixon.....	50.00	
E. C. Parsons.....	50.00	
P. E. Goddard.....	10.00	
A. L. Kroeber.....	25.00	
C. Peabody.....	50.00	
C. P. Bowditch.....	50.00	
R. H. Lowie.....	10.00	
E. K. Putnam.....	5.00	
A. M. Tozzer.....	50.00	

G. G. MacCurdy.....	50.00	
W. H. Holmes.....	10.00	
W. Hough.....	5.00	
F. G. Speck.....	10.00	
T. Michelson.....	5.00	
C. L. Hay.....	50.00	
A. L. Kroeber.....	5.00	
John M. Wulfang.....	25.00	
J. Howard Wilson.....	10.00	
N. Nelson.....	15.00	
Edward Ayer.....	25.00	
James B. Nies.....	50.00	
Am. Ethn. Society.....	50.00	610.00
Gift from Prof. H. Montgomery.....		4.00
		<u>\$3,915.06</u>
Error unlocated.....		.10
		<u>\$3,914.96</u>

*Disbursements*

## New Era Printing Co:

Amount unpaid, January 1, 1918.....		\$2,117.08
<i>Anthropologist</i> , vol. XIX, no. 4.....	\$370.49	
vol. XX, no. 1.....	331.88	
no. 2.....	255.44	
no. 3.....	228.69	\$1,186.50
<i>Memoir</i> , vol. 4, no. 3.....	176.40	
no. 4.....	249.11	
vol. 5, no. 1.....	124.09	
no. 2.....	52.99	
no. 3.....	70.70	
Title and index, vol. 3, <i>Memoirs</i> .....	62.09	
Title and index, vol. 4, <i>Memoirs</i> .....	36.33	771.71
Miscellaneous postage.....		212.08
Cost of printing and distributing publications...		2,170.29
Less transfer to Hiram Bingham.....	137.84	
Less amount still due.....	1,697.66	1,835.50
Beck Engraving Co.....	125.34	
Editor's expenses.....	229.34	
President's expenses.....	41.50	
Secretary-Treasurer.....	98.52	
Miscellaneous.....	59.90	
Permanent Fund.....	100.00	
Balance on hand.....	808.49	1,463.09
		<u>1,463.09</u>
		3,914.96

## PERMANENT ACCOUNT

*Receipts*

Previously acknowledged.....	1,200.00	
Interest.....	4.00	
From Life Membership.....	100.00	1,304.00

*Disbursements*

Loan to General Fund.....	1,100.00	
Balance in Munsey Trust Company.....	204.00	1,304.00

The accounts of the Treasurer, B. W. Merwin, have been examined and found correct.

Signed:

F. G. SPECK,  
C. PERCIVAL WILKINS,  
*Auditing Committee*

It appears from the above statement that the financial condition of the Association has been improved by the amount of \$968.20.

## January 1, 1918

There was owing the New Era Company.....	\$2,117.08	
Cash on hand.....	259.71	
Giving a net indebtedness of.....		\$1,857.37

## January 1, 1919

There was owing the New Era Company.....	\$1,697.66	
Cash on hand.....	808.49	
Leaving a net indebtedness of.....	889.17	\$968.20

The difference between these, \$968.20, the improvement in the Association's finances has resulted from the following sources:

Rehabilitation Fund.....	\$ 610.00
Additional Gift.....	4.00
Income, 1918.....	\$2,941.35
Expenses, 1918.....	2,724.89
Amount saved.....	216.46
Credit, transfer of reprint bill.....	137.84
Total.....	\$968.30
Less unlocated error.....	.10
	<u>\$968.20</u>

B. W. MERWIN,  
*Acting Treasurer.*

## REPORT OF THE EDITOR

Notwithstanding the diversion of the interest and activities of many of our members from scientific work to public affairs there has been, as yet, no lack of material for publication. This has resulted from the normal delays in publication, since the articles appearing were, in most cases, either prepared before the war or are the results of pre-war activities. A dearth of papers would shortly have resulted had the same conditions continued.

Our publications do and should provide space for the descriptive articles of those workers who have not institutional series of publications in which their output can be accommodated. There are a number of individuals who are not attached to any institution, and unfortunately there are a number of institutions in which anthropological work is being done which either do not have a series of publications established or whose publications at present are inactive. As examples of such institutions may be cited Harvard University, Pennsylvania University, Columbia University and, since the war, the Geological Survey of Canada. The interests of anthropology, quite aside from the special concern of the *American Anthropologist*, require a speedy remedying of this lack of established means for the presentation of the results of fieldwork.

Chiefly the *Anthropologist* should be devoted to the discussion and criticism of papers published elsewhere and to the presentation of original papers dealing with general subjects and methods.

When a prospective dearth of papers is mentioned reference is made to worthwhile and suitable papers. Plenty of articles of some sort are available. These are made up in part of the work of amateurs, some of whom appreciate neither the point of view nor the methods of modern science. Some of the papers prepared by these, however, are worthy of publication, since there is reason to hope that such workers may develop into scientists. For the most part, however, we can expect that in the future available results will only come from men who have been definitely and thoroughly trained in a university department devoted to the subject. There are other papers available which, while they have merit, are somewhat aside in their subject matter from our main interests.

In accordance with the policy and budget of a year ago the *Anthropologist* has been reduced from 600 pages to a little under 500 pages. With the exception of the fourth number of the current volume, very few illustrations have been employed. These few and those appearing in the fourth number have been provided by the authors of the articles except for one or two minor instances.



The following memoirs have been issued:

Volume IV, numbers 3 and 4, "Notes on Zuñi," E. C. Parsons, 179 pages.

" V, number 1, "A Further Study of Prehistoric Small House Ruins in the San Juan Watershed," T. Mitchell Prudden, 50 pages.

" V, " 2, "An Early Account of the Choctaw Indians," John R. Swanton, 22 pages.

" V, " 3, "Notes on Some Bushmen Implements," Bene van Rippen, 25 pages.

Another paper entitled "The Little-Known Small House Ruins in the Coconino Forest," M. R. F. and H. S. Colton, now in galley proof will make about 30 pages giving a total for the volume of 127 pages.

When the budget was adopted, volume XIX number 4 was already in pages and could not well be reduced. The bill for that number, however, appears in the Treasurer's report for this year and is considerably in excess of the cost of the numbers prepared since the budget was adopted. Five numbers of the *Memoirs* have appeared and the bills for them are included in the Treasurer's report while the budget estimate was for four issues only. The entire amount incurred for publications is \$2,170.29. This amount is to be reduced by \$182.59; corrections paid for by authors and a donation of the cost of printing a memoir. This leaves a net cost to the Association for printing and distributing the publications of \$1,987.70.

It is recommended that the same scale of publication be followed another year. It is urged that this programme of economy be accompanied by a continuation of the campaign for the decreasing of the debt by voluntary subscription. The prospect of wiping out our entire debt solely by years of restricted publication ought not to be entertained.

P. E. GODDARD,

*Editor.*

The Council took affirmative action on the following:

That they ratify the action of the Executive Committee which was embodied in President Kroeber's report;

That the suggestions of President Kroeber with regard to the various officers of the Association be referred to the Executive Committee with power to act;

That the President's report be accepted, with a vote of thanks, and placed on file;

That Dr. Goddard's report as editor be accepted for file;

That the Treasurer's report be accepted and referred to an auditing committee, consisting of Dr. F. G. Speck and E. Percival Wilkins;

That a vote of thanks be extended to Dr. T. Mitchell Prudden for his generosity in meeting the cost of vol. v, no. 1, of the *Memoirs* of the Association;

That the following resolution be sent to the Council of the A. A. A. S.;

That in view of the proposed change of Constitution of the A. A. A. S. and proposed establishment of a Section of Anthropology and Archaeology, the Council of A. A. A. recommends that the name, Section H, become again the name of the Section of Anthropology;

That the President appoint a committee to assist Dr. Hrdlička to finance the *Journal of Physical Anthropology*. The following were appointed: F. W. Hodge (chairman), Franz Boas, A. E. Jenks, George Grant MacCurdy, Charles Peabody;

That the meeting place for 1919 be referred to the Executive Committee;

That a committee be appointed to report on the relationship of anthropology to other sciences with respect to prospective affiliation in the make-up of a national research council, as suggested by Professor John C. Merriam;

That the Committee on Academic Teaching of Anthropology, Franz Boas (chairman), R. B. Dixon, P. E. Goddard, E. A. Hooton, A. L. Kroeber, George Grant MacCurdy, F. G. Speck, be continued as a committee of the Association and that its report be published;

That the report of the Nominating Committee, consisting of MacCurdy, Boas, and Fewkes be accepted.

The Council adopted the following budget for the year 1919:

For printing and distributing the <i>American Anthropologist</i> and <i>Memoirs</i> .....	\$2,000.00
Expenses of the Editor.....	500.00
Expenses of the Secretary and Treasurer.....	250.00

At the annual meeting of the Association the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

*President*: Clark Wissler, Museum of Natural History, New York.

*Vice-President*, 1919: John R. Swanton, Bureau of American Ethnology.

*Vice-President*, 1920: George Grant MacCurdy, Yale University.

*Vice-President*, 1921: A. Hrdlička, U. S. National Museum.

*Vice-President*, 1922: B. Laufer, Field Museum of Natural History.

*Secretary*: Alfred M. Tozzer, Harvard University.

*Treasurer*: Neil M. Judd, U. S. National Museum.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Mr. Judd having informed President Wissler that conditions made it difficult and inadvisable for him to accept the office, the President appointed Pliny E. Goddard, Acting Treasurer.

*Editor:* Pliny E. Goddard, American Museum of Natural History.

*Associate Editors:* John R. Swanton, Robert H. Lowie.

*Executive Committee:* The President, Secretary, Treasurer, Editor (*ex officio*), J. W. Fewkes, Edward Sapir, and F. G. Speck.

*Council:* F. Boas, W. H. Holmes, J. W. Fewkes, R. B. Dixon, F. W. Hodge, A. L. Kroeber, B. Laufer, John R. Swanton, G. G. MacCurdy, A. Hrdlička, A. M. Tozzer, Neil M. Judd, P. E. Goddard (*ex officio*), A. E. Jenks, S. A. Barrett, W. Hough, A. Hrdlička, B. T. B. Hyde, C. Wissler, F. G. Speck, A. A. Goldenweiser, E. A. Hooton, A. V. Kidder, F. C. Cole, L. Spier, L. J. Frachtenberg, R. B. Bean, H. H. Wilder (1919); Byron Cummings, W. C. Farabee, G. G. Heye, H. J. Spinden, C. M. Barbeau, W. D. Wallis, A. B. Lewis, S. Hagar, Miss H. N. Wardle, Theodoor de Booy,<sup>1</sup> F. H. Sterns, S. K. Lothrop, R. T. Aitken, J. E. Pearce, F. Starr (1920); W. C. Mills, H. Montgomery, C. B. Moore, W. K. Moorehead, E. K. Putnam, C. Peabody, C. C. Willoughby, T. Michelson, A. B. Skinner, M. H. Saville, E. W. Hawkes, Louis R. Sullivan, H. H. Donaldson, George Engerrand (1921); Alice C. Fletcher, C. P. Bowditch, S. Culin, R. H. Lowie, C. H. Hawes, E. Sapir, N. C. Nelson, H. Bingham, J. A. Mason, B. W. Merwin, E. W. Gifford, Elsie Clews Parsons, J. P. Harrington, Hutton Webster, H. I. Smith (1922).

*Members of Council of A. A. A. S. from A. A. A.:* Franz Boas, W. C. Mills.

The President, Dr. Clark Wissler, appointed the following committees:

*Committee on Program:* R. B. Dixon (chairman), P. E. Goddard (*ex officio*), A. Hrdlička, A. L. Kroeber, B. Laufer, E. Sapir.

*Committee on Finance:* Charles Peabody (chairman), Edward E. Ayer, Charles P. Bowditch, William H. Furness, George G. Heye, Clarence B. Moore, Homer E. Sargent.

*Committee on Policy:* Franz Boas (chairman), J. W. Fewkes, W. H. Holmes, A. L. Kroeber, R. H. Lowie, G. G. MacCurdy, Elsie Clews Parsons, A. M. Tozzer.

*Committee on Publication:* Clark Wissler (chairman, *ex officio*), F. Boas, Stewart Culin, J. W. Fewkes, P. E. Goddard (secretary, *ex officio*), A. A. Goldenweiser, G. B. Gordon, F. W. Hodge, W. Hough, A. E. Jenks, A. L. Kroeber, B. Laufer, G. G. MacCurdy, E. Sapir, M. H. Saville, J. R. Swanton, A. M. Tozzer.

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<sup>1</sup> Deceased.

## ADDRESSES AND PAPERS

The Friday morning meeting was devoted to the reading of papers and their discussion as in former years. The following papers were read:

The Estimated Weight of the Parts of the Lower Extremities in Living Man: ROBERT BENNETT BEAN, University of Virginia.

The Relation of Towers to Prehistoric Pueblos: J. WALTER FEWKES, Bureau of American Ethnology.

Indian Mounds and Other Relics of Indian Life in Texas: J. E. PEARCE, The University of Texas.

In Memoriam, Herman K. Haeberlin: FRANZ BOAS, Columbia University.

In addition to these the following were read by title in the absence of the authors:

Ceremonial Objects Excavated at Otowi, New Mexico: LUCY L. W. WILSON, Philadelphia.

Excavations at Hawikuh, New Mexico, in 1917 and 1918: F. W. HODGE, Museum of the American Indian (Heye Foundation).

Mountain Haunts of the Coastal Algonquians: MAX SCHRABISCH, Paterson, N. J. Ethnography of the Jugoslavs: BEATRICE STEVENSON STANOYEVICH, New York.

At the Saturday morning session, papers which had already been published were taken up for discussion. This innovation resulted from the experience of past years, that worth while discussion of papers, new and just read, was seldom possible.

Of the titles published in the *American Anthropologist* for July-September, 1918, the following were discussed:

FRANK G. SPECK: The Basis of Primitive Algonquian Social Organization. (*American Anthropologist*, N. S., vol. XVII, pp. 289-305; vol. XIX, pp. 9-18; *Publications, American Sociological Society*, vol. XII, pp. 82-100; *Canada Geological Survey, Memoir* 70, 1915.)

R. H. LOWIE: Plains Indian Age-Societies. (*Anthropological Papers, American Museum of Natural History*, vol. XI, part 13, 1916.)

ELSIE CLEWS PARSONS: The Separation of Functions of Curing and of Weather Control in Zuñi and Keresan Ceremonialism.<sup>1</sup>

TRUMAN MICHELSON: Proofs of Genetic Linguistic Relationship. (Remarks on American Indian Languages, *Journal of the Washington Academy of Sciences*, vol. VII, no. 8, pp. 222-234, April 19, 1917.)

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<sup>1</sup> Substituted for article previously announced.